SIGH. CAN'T BE HELPED
I GOT CLOSER TO ATHENA THANKS TO HER
SO LET'S JUST DO IT AS A RETURN.

IT'S NOT A DIFFICULT THING TO DO THIS TIME ANYWAY.
WHI

IIIIIIING

FLA
TT
ER!
COO COO!
STAND
HM?

W-WHAT IS IT? THERE'S SOMETHING ON MY HEA-...
HUH?

A P-PIGEON?
FLASH!
COO COO...

COO COO COO
COO COO COO COO!!!
PECK PECK PECK PECK PECK PECK!!!
OWW!!!
W-WHAT IS IT?
I DIDN'T DO
ANYTHING TO
YOU.

STOP STOOOOP!!
IT REALLY HURTS!
PANIC
PANIC
STEP..

SIGH...
IT REALLY IS HARD TO BELIEVE EVEN WHEN I'M SEEING IT IN FRONT OF ME

NEVER THOUGHT THAT SCROOGE WOULD BE RIGHT.
ST
OP
...?

WELL, I GUESS I SHOULD SAY SOME GREETINGS JUST FOR OUR OLD TIMES SAKE AS A FAMILY, RIGHT?
HOW ARE YOU? OLD MAN.

AFTER BEING BORN AGAIN,
YOU SURE LOOK YOUNGER. I ALMOST DIDN'T RECOGNIZE YOU.

ATHENA COMPLEX

ATHENA COMPLEX

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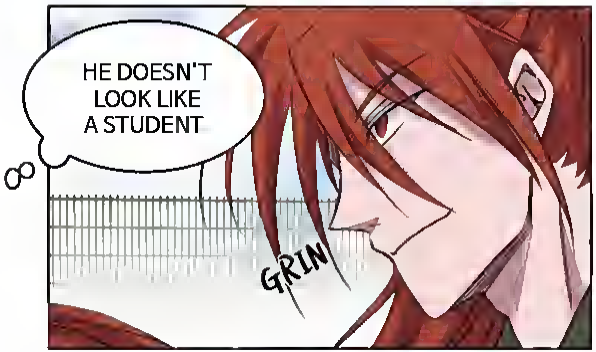
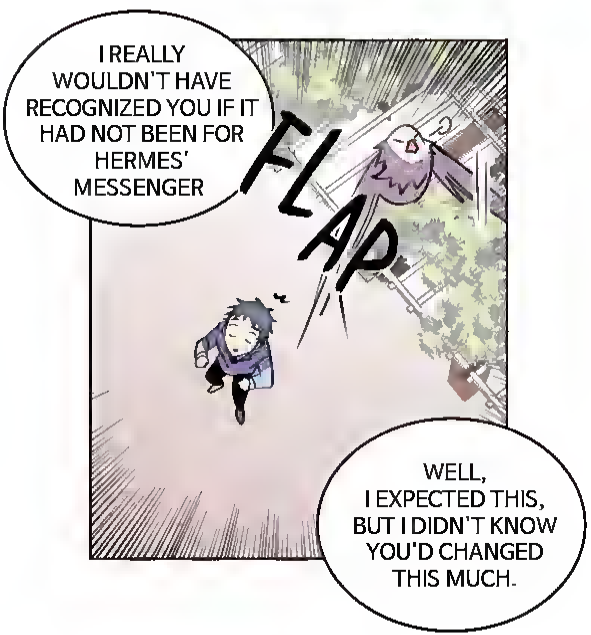
023. GODDESS OF WAR VS GOD OF WAR(1)

HUH ?

RED HAIR...
FOREIGNER?

IT'S STRANGE
WHY WOULD A
FOREIGNER BE IN
OUR SCHOOL?


HE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE A STUDENT
GRIN

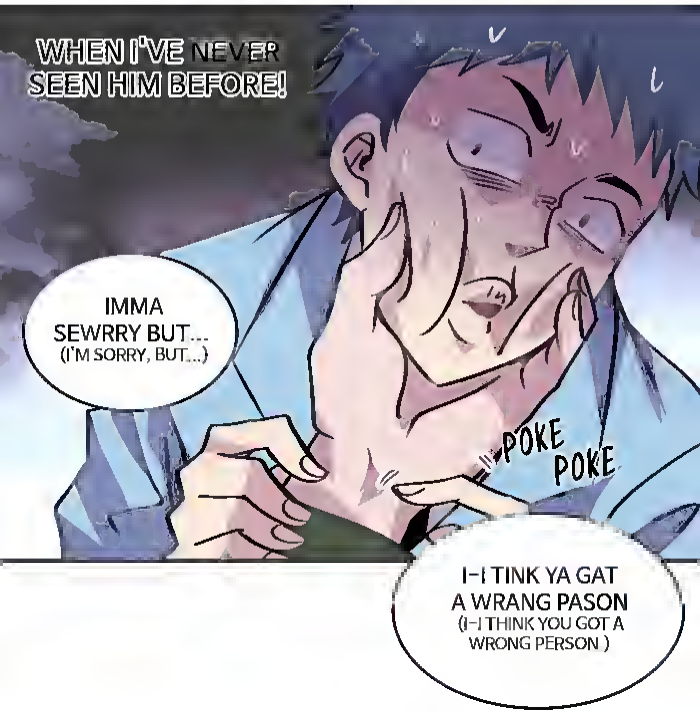

I REALLY WOULDN'T HAVE RECOGNIZED YOU IF IT HAD NOT BEEN FOR HERMES' MESSENGER
FLAP
WELL, I EXPECTED THIS, BUT I DIDN'T KNOW YOU'D CHANGED THIS MUCH.

THE CYCLE OF BIRTH DOESN'T LOOK THAT BAD.
GETTING YOUNGER AT YOUR AGE.
??! ACK, HE'S WALKING TOWARD ME.
IS HE TALKING TO ME?

U-UMM...
ARE YOU TALKING
TO ME...?
WOW
-O TALL
BUT YOU ARE
SEPARATED FROM
ESTHETICS,
OLD MAN.

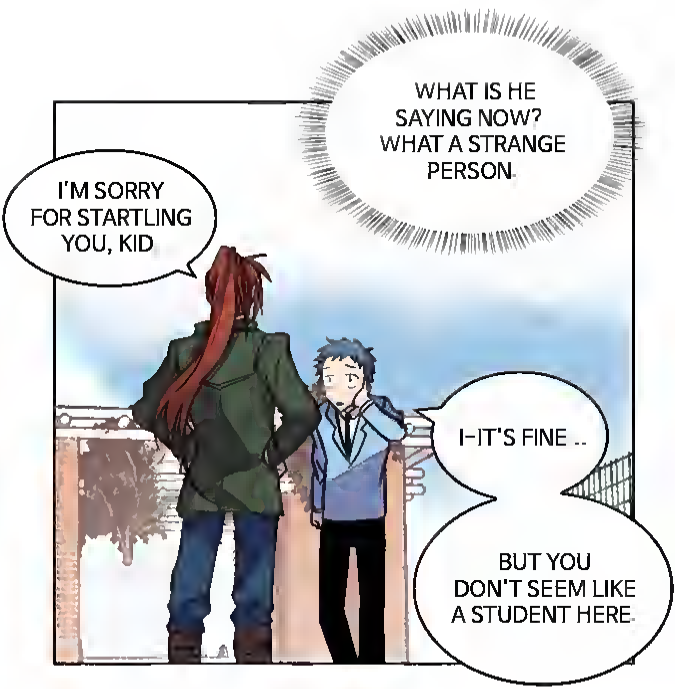
DID SOMEONE MAKE YOU WITH THEIR FEET AND NOT EVEN FINISHED MAKING?
PULL-
EH...?
ORIGINAL ONE WASN'T THAT GREAT EITHER. BUT IT WASN T THIS TERRIBLE

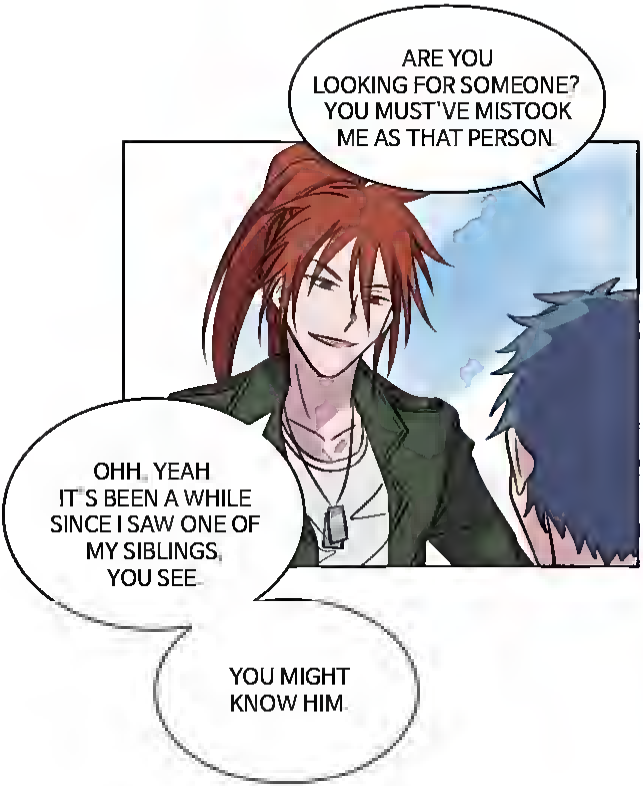
BUT YOU DON'T SMELL LIKE FISH ANYMORE. I LIKE THAT ONE AT LEAST.
W-WHAT IS IT? HE'S STRANGE
WHY DOES HE KEEP TALKING TO ME AS IF HE KNOWS ME?


WHEN I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE!
IMMA SEWRRY BUT...
(I'M SORRY, BUT...)
POKE
POKE
I-I TINK YA GAT A WRANG PASON
(I-I THINK YOU GOT A WRONG PERSON)

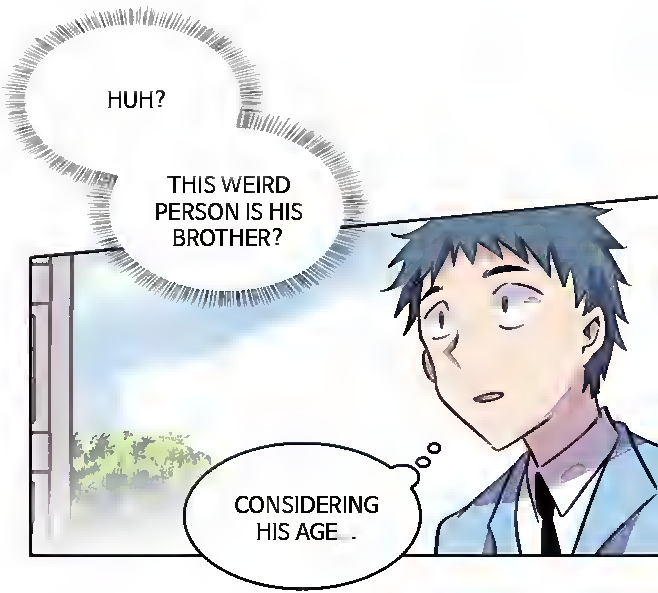
I HAVE NAVER MAT YA BEFOUR TODA..
(I'VE NEVER MET YOU BEFORE TODAY...)
STARE
....

... OHH~ RIGHT.
I GOT EXCITED
AND FORGOT.
YOU
WOULDN'T
HAVE ANY
MEMORIES.
SINCE
ALL THE USELESS
THINGS MUST HAVE
GOTTEN ERASED.
...?
ERASE
MEMORIES?


WHAT IS HE SAYING NOW? WHAT A STRANGE PERSON.
I'M SORRY FOR STARTLING YOU, KID
I-IT'S FINE ..
BUT YOU DON'T SEEM LIKE A STUDENT HERE.


ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SOMEONE? YOU MUST'VE MISTOOK ME AS THAT PERSON.
OHH, YEAH IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I SAW ONE OF MY SIBLINGS, YOU SEE.
YOU MIGHT KNOW HIM.

NAME IS ATHENA
IT SHOULDN'T BE LONG SINCE HE MOVED HERE

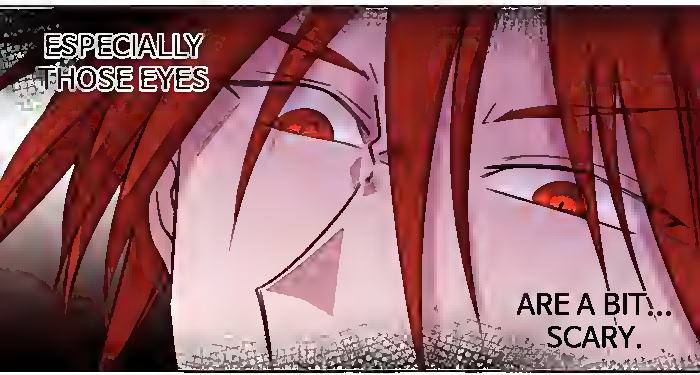

HUH?
THIS WEIRD PERSON IS HIS BROTHER?
CONSIDERING HIS AGE...

HE'S ATHENA'S OLDER BROTHER!?
DU DUN!

NICE TO MEET YOU! I'M ADRIAN FROM THE SAME CLASS AS ATHENA
I'M SORRY. IF I KNEW YOU WERE HIS FAMILY, I WOULD'VE INTRODUCED MYSELF SOONER.
NO NEED TO APOLOGIZE FOR THAT.

IT'S OBVIOUS YOU WOULDN'T NOTICE
EVEN IF WE'RE BROTHERS, WE DON'T RESEMBLE EACH OTHER AT ALL.

DON'T YOU THINK SO TOO EVEN WHEN WE MET FOR THE FIRST TIME?
OH..
D-DEFINITELY, THEY DON'T RESEMBLE EACH OTHER. THE AURA AROUND THEM TOO.


ESPECIALLY
THOSE EYES
ARE A BIT...
SCARY.

*AN AWESOME PERSONALITY DETECTION SKILL PICKED UP FROM A LONG HISTORY OF BEING BULLIED

SO, YOUR NAME IS ADRIAN?
WHAT ARE YOU TO ATHENA?
OH, WE ARE FRIENDS AND CLASSMATES WE LIVE NEXT DOOR

?
FRIENDS?
YOU AND
ATHENA?

PWHAHAHA!!
ATHENA, YOU NEVER CHANGE!
HAVING OLD MAN WITH NO MEMORY AS A FRIEND.
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO THIS TIME?
...?

HE DOESN'T MEAN ME BY OLD MAN, DOES HE?
CONFUSED
??
WELL, IT WORKS FOR ME IN ANY CASE

KID,
YOU ARE GOING TO HELP ME OUT.
IT'S A FAMILY REUNION AFTER CENTURIES SO YOU HAVE TO PLAY YOUR ROLE WELL.
SO THAT ATHENA WON'T RUN AWAY THIS TIME.

WHAT?
WHAT DO YOU...

GRAB

OW...!?
GR
AB
W-WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS TO ME?!
I TOLD YOU~ I NEED YOUR HELP

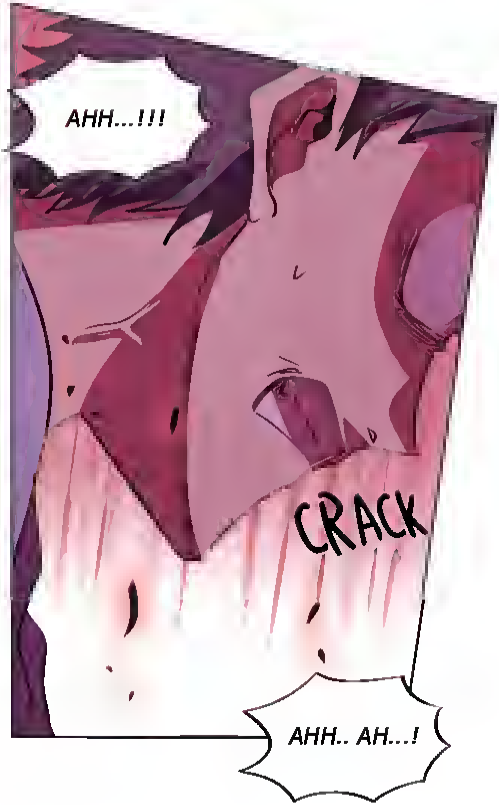
EXTERIOR MIGHT HAVE CHANGED BUT
THE MEMORY OF SOUL IS HONEST FOR SURE

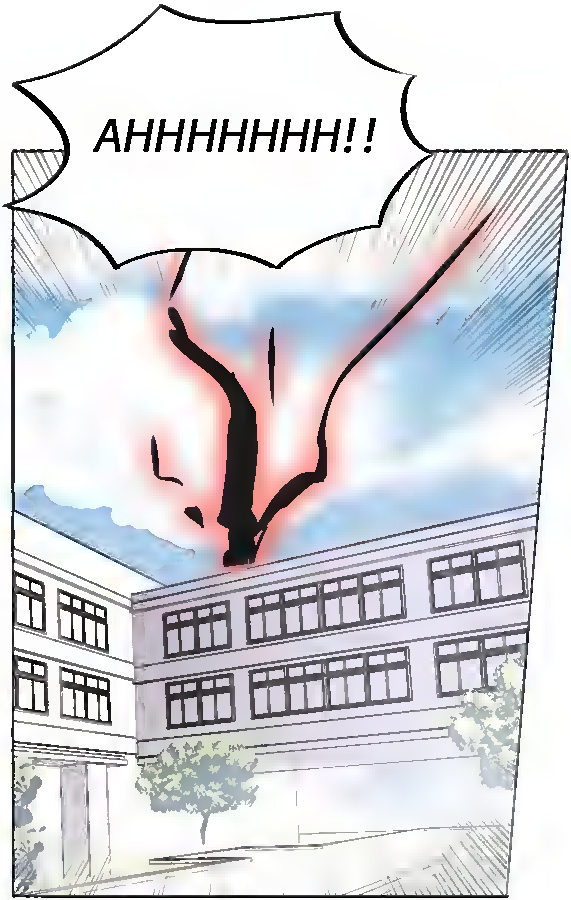
DON'T WORRY TOO MUCH, OLD MAN.
CRACK
I WON'T KILL YOU THIS TIME

INSTEAD, YOU'LL BE IN DEATHLY AGONY.

STAB

GASP...!!
CRACK
CRACK
GASP!


AHH...!!!
CRACK
AHH.. AH...!


AHHHHHHH!!

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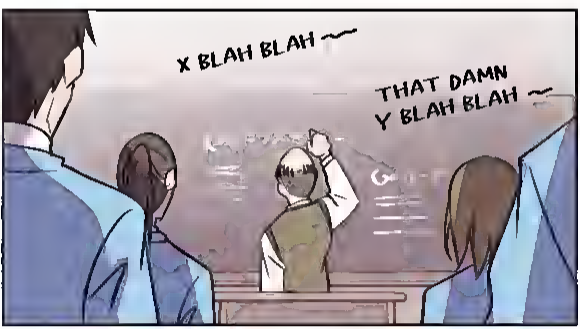
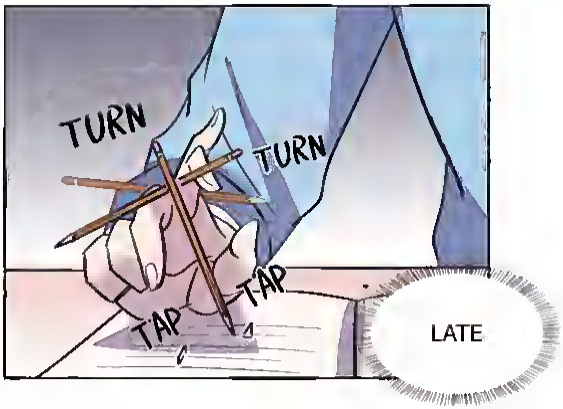
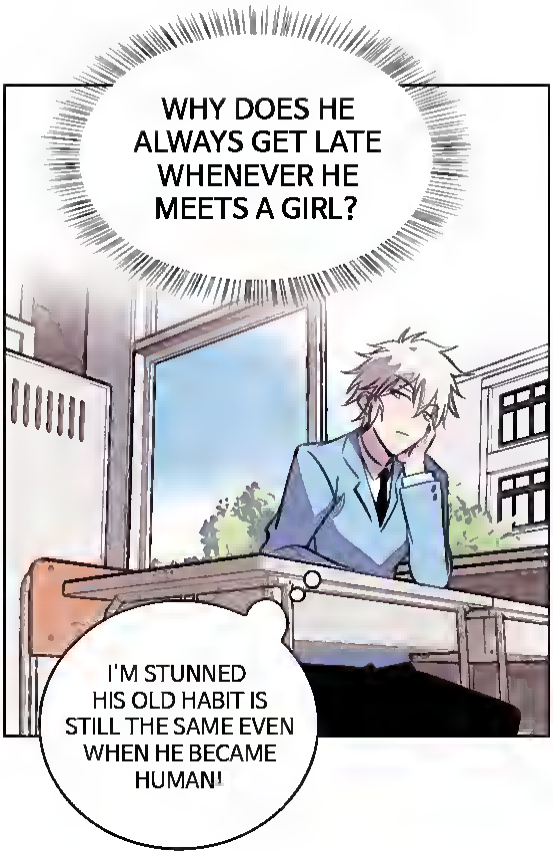

X BLAH BLAH ~~
THAT DAMN
Y BLAH BLAH ~~

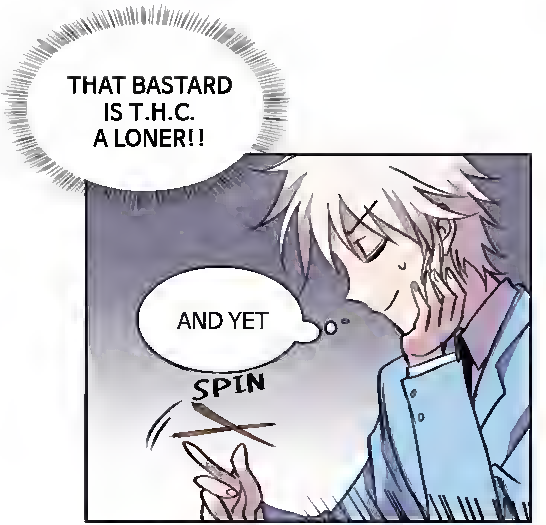

TURN
TURN
TAP
TAP
LATE

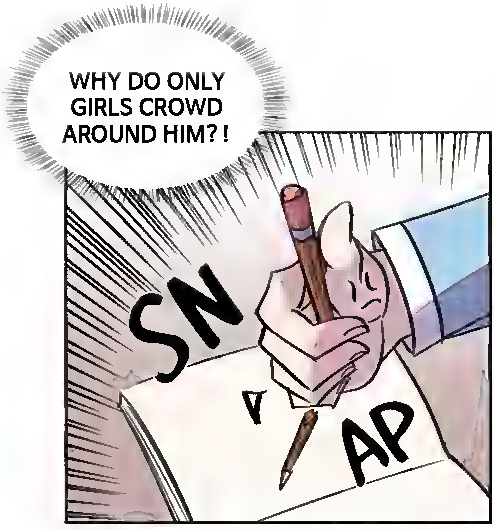
LATE. LATE.
LAAAATE~!

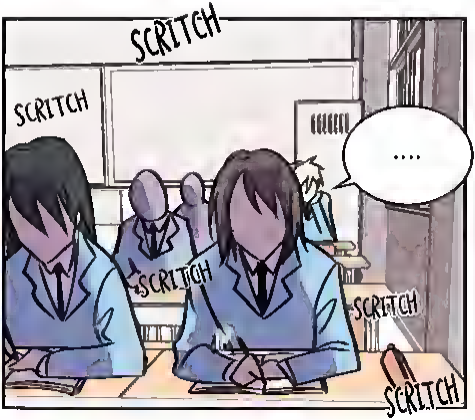

WHY DOES HE ALWAYS GET LATE WHENEVER HE MEETS A GIRL?
I'M STUNNED HIS OLD HABIT IS STILL THE SAME EVEN WHEN HE BECAME HUMAN!

I THOUGHT THERE WILL BE NO ONE ELSE THAT'LL BECOME AN OBSTACLE WITH THAT CHILDHOOD FRIEND PRIESTESS TAKEN CARE OF.

WHAT IS SHE TO HIM?

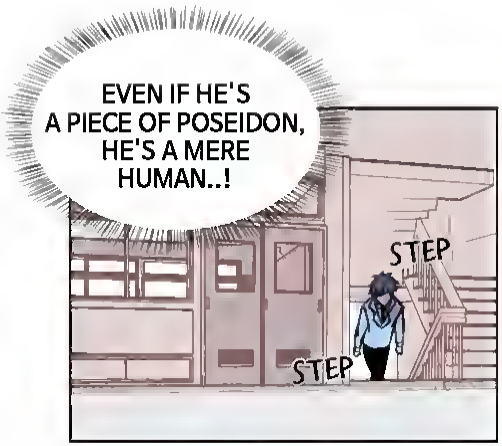

THAT BASTARD IS T.H.C. A LONER!!
AND YET
SPIN


WHY DO ONLY GIRLS CROWD AROUND HIM?!
SN
AP

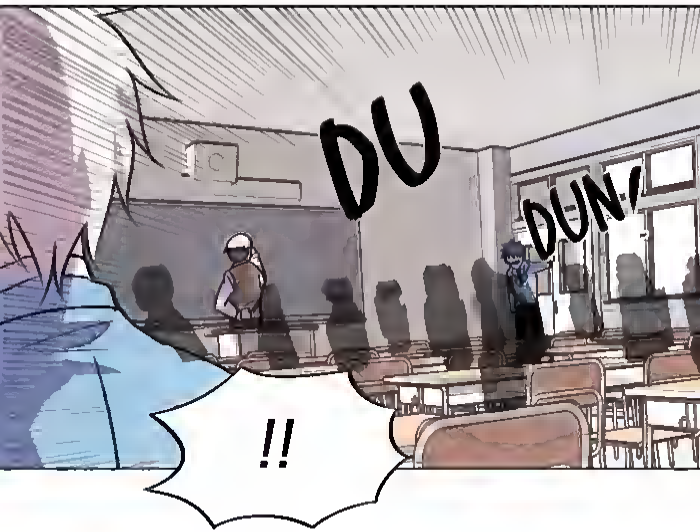

SCRITCH
SCRITCH
....
SCRITCH
SCRITCH
SCRITCH

WHAT IS HE THINKING?
HE EVEN ASKED ME THAT INCOMPREHENSIBLE QUESTION

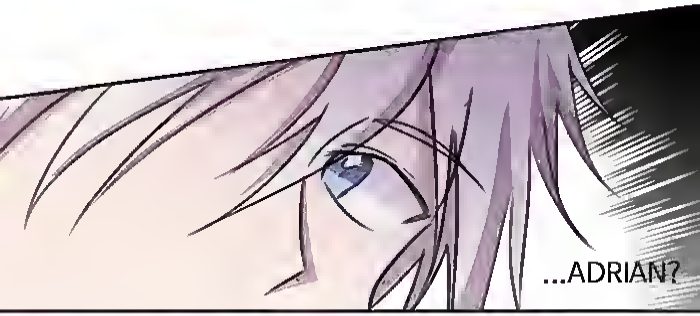
WHEN I THINK
I GOT CLOSE TO HIM,
HE BECOMES DISTANCED
IN AN INSTANT.
...I DON'T
LIKE THIS.


EVEN IF HE'S A PIECE OF POSEIDON, HE'S A MERE HUMAN..!
STEP
STEP

2-4
SLIDE!


DU
DUN!
!!

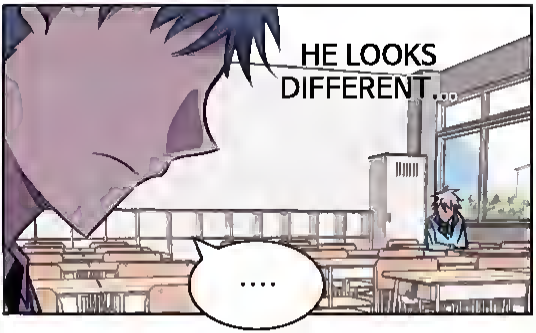
DU
DUN..!
....


...ADRIAN?

ADRIAN!
YOU ARE LATE AND WHAT MADE YOU SO PROUDLY WALK THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR?
ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND, HUH?!

GET OUT TO THE HALLWAY AND KNEEL RIGHT NOW
I'M GOING TO TELL YOUR HOMEROOM TEACHER ABOUT YOUR BEHAVIOR!
....

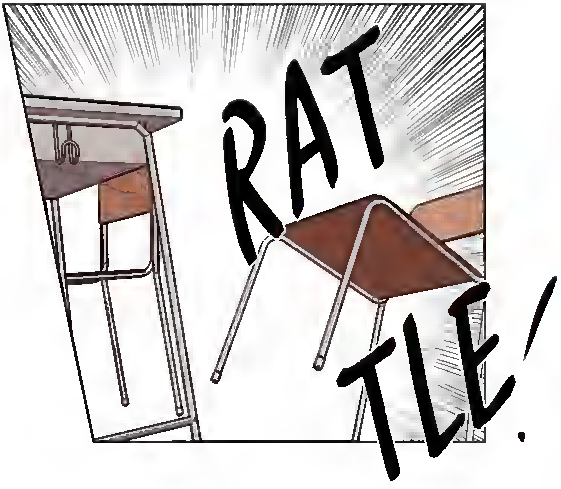
—?
HOLD ON.
SOMETHING IS STRANGE ABOUT HIM.
O°


HE LOOKS DIFFERENT...
....

GRIN
COCKY.

DON'T ORDER ME.
HUMAN.

..?!
WHAT?
!!


RAT
TLE!

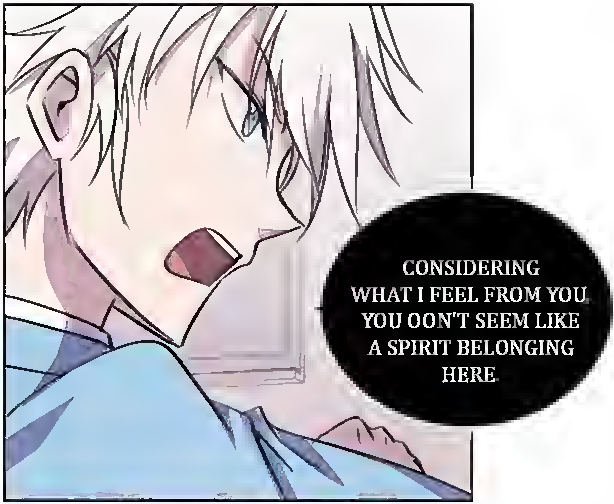
HAHA,
LOOK AT YOU
MURMUR
MURMUR
ARE YOU
TAKING LEAVE OF
YOUR SENSES?

GRAB
DO YOU
REALIZE THAT
YOU'RE TALKING
TO A TEACHER?

GET OUT AND KNEEL!
SWING

GRAB!

WHO ARE YOU?
WHO ARE YOU TO POSSESS THAT BODY?


CONSIDERING WHAT I FEEL FROM YOU, YOU DON'T SEEM LIKE A SPIRIT BELONGING HERE

KEKEKEKE...

DON'T TRY TO LOOK ALMIGHTY FOR BEING A GOD, ATHENA.
BETWEEN YOU AND ME A FAMILY

?!
NO WAY, IS THIS...

ARES?!

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ATHENA COMPLEX

*THIS STORY WAS INSPIRED BY GREEK MYTHOLOGY